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Air Mail 

20 September 1944
Germany (Deutschland)

My dear folks,

I have a few minutes to myself this evening so I thought I'd answer the letter I received from home yesterday. Was glad to hear you were all enjoying good health - I am in the best of health also and haven't really had a sick day over here. I haven't weighed myself for a few months but I imagine I weigh about the same yet.

You certainly have had the wet weather this past year. We have had enough to suit us too over here but it could have been worse.

So Bob Malish is home too. Can he stay home now or must

he go back to the hospital for
a while. How is Ken Beyer
getting along and have Beyer
heard from Glenn lately.
How about Willard and Roy
where are they. Will Willard
be coming home soon?

The men are all arguing
about who is going to get out of
the army and who will have to
stay in for a few more years.
Personally I expect the worse
and rather think I'll get a
peek at Japan. I've seen
enough foreign countries to suit
me but I'd be a little too
restless to settle down anyhow.

Over here we have to be a
little careful since we are now
the snubbers and not the Liberators
Peopl don't receive us so happily

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and every person is
a potential enemy.

My speaking German comes in
very handy here in telling the people
what to do to keep us from shooting
them. They all are very anxious
to ask questions about what will
happen to them and about how much
they have lost in the war including
brothers and sons.

Dad Stothuber sent me a
pair of 5 buckle lightweight overshoes
that really are going to come in handy
in this weather. I'll probably have
dry feet for a change.

I must close for this time
give my love to all

Your loving
Son
Ralph